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The barbers in the towns of China go about ringing bells to get customers. They carry with them a stool, a basin, a towel and a pot containing fire. When any person calls them, they run to him, and planting their stool in a convenient place in the street shave the head, clean the ears, dress the eyebrows and brush the shoulders, all for the value of a cent.

The General plank road Law, before the New Jersey Legislature, passed to a third reading in the Senate on Tuesday. Under this law, any public highway may be formed into a plank road whenever the constituted authorities consent to its vacation for the purpose, were private property is required, the consent of the owners must first be had.

Correspondence of the Southern Standard.

WASHINGTON, Feb 11, 1852.

The Senate is engaged in a sort of parallel debate on Intervention and the Irish Exiles, alternating daily between those two subjects, both of which have crept into the Senate as an episode to Frete's resolution. It really strikes the "Observer" that when the American Senate is devoting its time almost exclusively to debating sympathetic resolutions in behalf of Hungarian and Irish Exiles, that the business of American legislation has descended to a very low ebb, indeed. The House was occupied the whole of yesterday in debating Gen. Lane's resolution providing for passing certain troops on the route to Oregon and California to protect emigrants, after a long debate in which Brooks, Marshall, Dunham, Lane, Gorman, Bailey and others participated, the resolution was withdrawn. The early part of to-day was spent in listening to speeches from Giddings and Stanly—the billingsgate would have shocked the modesty even of the fish-women. Let me recommend you to examine it as reported in full, and extract a few paragraphs therefrom, that your readers may learn something of the dignity and decency of the United States House of Representatives. A sense of shame would of course prevent you from publishing it in full. The debate sprung up on certain resolutions of the New Jersey Legislature endorsing the Compromise. They were offered by Mr. Stratton, and he moved to lay them on the table and to print them. The motion to print was debatable, when Giddings obtained the floor and made a furious abolition speech, denouncing the fugitive slave law, and proposing to abolish all laws tolerating the coastwise slave-trade under the American flag. He was very severe upon Southern and Northern men. Stanly replied to him, and I must confess, that never have I seen a man so nearly flayed alive, as was poor Giddings. Stanly's conclusion as well as I can remember, was about this: "Mr. Speaker, I leave the subject to leading and disgust. I never have had any altercation with the gentleman from Ohio, that I did not feel that my hands were soiled, yes, sir, even dirtied by the contact, and nothing but necessity could have induced me to touch him today. Sir, I feel like I had just emerged from a dissecting room where I had been using the knife on the carcass of a dead dog." What think you of that?

The balance of the day was devoted in Committee of the Whole to the consideration of a bill extending the proviso in the Bounty Land Bill to certain soldiers who had been excluded from the benefits of the previous Act by the construction of the Secretary of the interior, and to new soldiers in the Louisiana Purchase territory derived upon the Louisiana Purchase.

Mr. Bhatt has returned to Washington and resumed his seat in the Senate.

Among the arrivals at Brown's Hotel this evening I notice the name of your distinguished fellow citizen, Col. B. F. Hunt, who comes here to argue some causes before the Supreme Court.

The Court has not yet decided the case of Mrs. Gibbs. There is said to be from ten to twenty millions of dollars involved in the case.

There has been very successful business engagements in Washington.

Observers.

The following singular invoice of an assorted cargo, is a correct statement of that which was on board of a ship, which sailed from San Francisco for one of the Atlantic ports a few days since: 75 tons California soil; sundry cases of merchandise, returned for the benefit of shippers; 50 trunks, contents belonging to deceased persons; 1 California wildcat; 1 "dead" passenger; 1 hydropochondriac; 1 "silly" man; 1 sick lady; one sick man; 1 dead human bodies.—Natchez Cour.

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Fatal Affray in Cumberland—Great Excitement.

Cumberland, Md., Feb 11—9 1-2 P. M.—A terrible tragedy was enacted here this evening resulting in the instantaneous death of W. O. Sprigg, son of Joseph Sprigg, Esq., of this county by the hands of Robert Swan, brother of the late John Swan, and formerly a Lieutenant in Capt. Archer's company of Voltigeurs in the Mexican war. It appears that a difficulty had existed between these two young men for some three weeks. I will not undertake to state the particulars of the affair—but this evening Robert Swan entered the Hotel kept by Mr. Heffelfinger, armed with a double barrel shot gun, loaded, as it seems, with a patent wire cartridge, containing bird and squirrel shot. Upon entering the bar room where Sprigg was the latter being unarmed, attempted to escape the back door. Swan however, fired at him just as he reached the door; a few scattered shot struck him upon the left cheek and shoulder. Sprigg then turned and attempted to make his escape into the reading room, but just as he reached the door Swan fired his second barrel, which took effect in the back part of the neck—the charge passing through the head and coming out the right eye. He fell dead instantaneously. Swan has been arrested, and intense excitement exists in the community.

MOORE OF THE TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.—Cumberland, Feb. 12.—The dreadful tragedy which occurred here in Barnum's Hotel last night has produced the most intense excitement.

So indignant was the populace last night, after the dreadful deed had been perpetrated, and the coroner's inquest had been held on the body of young Sprigg, that it was with extreme difficulty the people could be restrained from taking violent possession of the murderer and punishing him on the spot. The officers, however, succeeded, together with the persuasions of the more sober thinking part of the community, in causing the enraged citizens to desist. Sprigg was altogether unarmed when he was shot, which shows he did not anticipate an attack. He was a worthy young man, and much esteemed by all who knew him—had been engaged as an Agent on the Railroad. His funeral takes place to-morrow.

The terrible act upon the part of Swan, seems to have been deliberate and premeditated. He went directly to the hotel with his loaded musket, and with-out giving a moment's warning, fired the fatal shot. It is also stated that after the murder, when under arrest, he declared that it was his deliberate intention to kill the deceased and seemed to exult in the fact, as he patted his gun and seemingly applauded it for being faithful to his trust. He is believed to have been under the influence of liquor when he perpetrated the deed. He was a young lawyer in practice at our bar, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. He is now in prison awaiting further investigation.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death from a shot fired from a gun in the hands of Robert Swan.

The deceased and his murderer had, prior to their quarrel some four weeks ago, been good friends and on the best of terms.

THE NOVA SCOTIA GIANT BOY.—At Hibernian Hall, was welcomed yesterday by several hundreds of our citizens and strangers, all are sufficiently satisfied that he is a giant that "is a giant," and no mistake. Among his many distinguished visitors, was the Governor of South Carolina, who is well known to be amongst the best proportioned and tallest of men, generally speaking, and he stood with perfect ease under his arm. This youth is only growing out of his teens, and by the time he has done he will outdo any who went before him of the giants "which were in those days."—Chas. Mer.

CORN IN TEXAS.—Although the last was a bad season for crops in Texas, a heavy surplus of corn was made in some portions of the State. There is now a surplus of two hundred and fifty thousand bushels of corn for sale in the neighborhood of New Braunfels alone—a striking evidence of the industry and thrift of the German immigrants settled in that region. This is the greatest surplus of which we have heard in any one neighborhood; but in the region west of the Colorado, and on the upper portion of that stream, there is generally more than enough to supply the demands of the thousands of immigrants now pouring in.—Galveston Citizen.

SUSPICION.—The body of a young infant was discovered on the stones of the southeast part of the Battery yesterday evening. It lay partly within the water, and from its circumstances connected with it, the affair had rather a suspicious appearance. The body was wrapped up in a piece of cloth, which, upon being unfolded, was discovered also to contain a stick and a piece of iron. A coroner's inquest has been summoned, the verdict of which is not yet ascertained.—Chas. Standard.

AFRAY.—A man, whose name we did not ascertain, but who we understand was a stranger in the city, while passing thro' Elliott-street, yesterday afternoon, was stopped and assailed by several others who surrounded and commenced an assault upon him. Seeing no other method of escape open to him, he drew a knife and inflicted some severe wounds upon two of the party, after which he succeeded in making his retreat and quietly surrendered himself to the authorities.—Id.

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COMMERCIAL.

FROM LIVERPOOL. Jan. 28. From LIVERPOOL. Jan. 28. From HAVANA. Jan. 26. From CHARLESTON. Feb. 14.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—The sales of Cotton to-day were 2000 bales; Strict Middling Upland, 8 1/4; Orleans 8 1/2. Sales of the week, 20,000 bales.

COLUMBIA, Feb. 16.—The Cotton market to-day was almost at a stand. The receipts were light, and the transactions were confined to 68 bales, at 5 1/4 to 7 1/2.

CAMDEN, Feb. 17.—Since the receipt of the Pacific's advices, an advance has taken place in the Cotton Market. Extremes ranging from 5 1/4 to 7 1/2.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 15.—The sales of Cotton on Saturday amounted to 1100 bales at an advance of 1/4. Extremes 7 1/4 to 8 1/4.

Plum-pudding was first discovered by Capt. Cook, A. D. 603.

Black pudding is still a favorite dish, with the cannibals of Ethiopia.

Lunar caustic is a preparation of distilled moonbeams chemically extracted from early cucumbers.

Mr. Barnum is in active treaty for the purchase of the celebrated house that Jack built.

The chief advantage of our Cape Colonies is their immediate proximity to the Caffres.—Punch.

PROSPECTUS OF THE LANCASTER LEDGER!

The Ledger is the title of a new paper, published every Thursday Morning, at Lancaster, C. H. S. C. This paper is neutral in Politics; advocating the cause of no party, but devoted to the propagation and advancement of all measures which will prove benefit to the District and State. The following extract from our Salutatory in our first number will explain more fully our position:

"The LEDGER will be an independent paper, devoted to NEWS, COMMERCE, LITERATURE, &c.; advocating all measures which we conceive will be of benefit to the District; disclaiming all connection with any party or clique—firmly and zealously devoting our energies to those matters which serve to promote the welfare and happiness of our people.

Several years ago, the two prominent political parties of the State were Whig and Democrat. The former advocating the separate nationality of South Carolina; the latter, in case of a division of the Union, to have the co-operation of all, or some of the slaveholding States. Besides these two great parties, we have in the State, although in the minority, the Union party, who are opposed to Secession under any circumstances, believing our wrongs are exaggerated, that we have no cause to complain of the Federal Government, and that we had better remain as we are. Then, again, we have a party, (though we are glad to say, their number is small) who are violent Secessionists; they say they are tired of the Union, and never mind what concessions the Federal Government might make, they would rather be out of the Union than in it—that once South Carolina becomes a separate and independent government, at once commences her career of greatness, and her power. A being a level Political Economy is, that according to the supply of an article, so will be the demand; and according to the labor so will be the cost; thus, by a nice distribution of the cost of labor, never mind what his labor may be applied to, so will be his remuneration; directly as the remuneration is not sufficient for the labor, the laborer seeks some other branch of industry to apply his labor to.

It is impossible for man to regulate the price to be paid for the labor of a blacksmith, a carpenter, or a field hand—it is also absurd that any man can say what the price of corn will be next year. No monopoly can place a fixed price upon the productions of the earth. Now, we are inclined to think that so much that is said in relation to the withdrawing of South Carolina from the Union, and vice versa, does but little good, and is a productive of much harm. We are an excellent people, an honest and God-fearing people, and our Anglo-Saxon ancestors; and in matters involving so much as this does, should be left to the calm, sober, reflecting mind, unaided by the excitable anathemas of hot-headed politicians. Our people know if they are wronged—if they feel that they are—seek redress, and if satisfaction is not given, then consider well the next step. But this running blindly into any course which party spirit would induce others to lead you into, is worse than foolish, and such impetuosity is always attended with irreparable injury. Patience is not submission; enthusiasm is not patriotism.

It is but right and proper that the people should have all the information which can be given in relation to our national matters;—this we will do. All the light we can give, shall be given. Nothing will be withheld which can in any way instruct our people in political affairs. Prejudiced in favor of neither party, we will carefully lay before our readers all matters pertaining to our Federal grievances, and let them judge for themselves. If they believe it better to remain as we are, fearing we may make bad worse, so be it; if, on the other hand, they find we should secede from the Union, then let them so decide.

Although the agitation which has existed for the past year between the two parties has now subsided, and although it is the general opinion that the forthcoming Convention will not recommend secession in direct opposition to the declared voice of the people in October last, when the election for members to the Southern Congress was held denouncing secession; still, it is not our purpose to advocate the policy of either party, and we mention this that in case the Convention does recommend Secession, we do not mean to dictate to the people what course they had better adopt, but merely recommend them to be calm and watchful. These party strifes alienate friend from friend, brother from brother, and father from son, and so far we see nothing it has accomplished towards secession. We have much to do besides engaging in political strifes, the elevation of that which leads to our social, physical and moral advancement, should be our chief thought, and let us exemplify by our actions that firmness which is the base of patriotism.

SALES AT AUCTION.

Wm. T. Phifer, Auctioneer. Will be Sold at Public Auction, on Sale Day next, on the Clingie Lot, near the Court House: A VARIETY OF FANCY GOODS. Conditions Cash. 2 Feb 19

On the First Monday in March (Sale Day) near the Court House: TWO SETS OF CARRIAGE HARNESS.

The Harness is new; but recently made, and of superior quality. To be sold on a credit of six months, with note approved security, and interest from date.

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At the risk of the underwriter, for cash. A. MAYER, Auctioneer. Feb 19 2w

THE LANCASTER GROCERY AND PROVISION STORE!

THE subscribers are just receiving and now opening a large and complete assortment of GROCERIES and PROVISIONS, which they are anxious to dispose of at extreme low prices for Cash or Country Produce. Their stock consists in part as follows: New Orleans and Muscovado Sugar, Crushed, powdered and Clarified do. New Orleans and Muscovado Molasses, Java and Rio Coffee, Almonds, English Walnuts, Citron, Currants, Pepper, Ginger, Spice and Cloves, Nutmegs, Mace, Salsaparilla and Soda, Mackerel, No. 1, 2, and 3 Salmon, Beef Tongues, Herring, Powder & Shot, Caps, Indigo, Crackers and Oranges, Lemons, O'Mara's old Rye and New Orleans Rectified Whiskey, Madeira, Port, Claret and Sherry Wines, Porter, Ale, Newark Cider, W. V. Vinegar, Sardines, Oysters, Ginger Preserves, Corned, Pepper sauce, Candles, Tobacco, together with a choice selection of Cigars, at all prices of the following brands, Filantropa, Washington, Espana, Havana, Cheeroots and Cuba sixes, and a large variety of other articles too numerous to mention. All those in want of first rate articles at the lowest price, will please not to forget to call at the LANCASTER GROCERY, at the old stand of J. A. HASSELLTINE, one door South of the Catawba House, on Main st. HASSELLTINE & HAGINS. Lancaster, Feb 12 1f

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SALE.

George R. Miller } In Equity—Lancaster Dist. John M. Miller } Partition. and others. Under the decree of the Court of Equity in the above case I will sell on the 24th day of February 1852, at the late residence of Mrs. Sarah A. Miller deceased: 1 Carriage and pair Carriage Horses, Buggy, Smith Tools, Plantation Tools, one 2 horse Wagon, a large number of Cattle Hogs and Sheep, 2 mules, Household furniture and other articles.

Terms, under \$10, Cash, over a credit of 12 months, Note, Security and Interest. JAMES H. WITHERSPOON, Comr. Eq. L. D. Feb 12. Printer's fee \$2.25 1

In Equity—Lancaster Dist.

Ex Parte James H. Kirkley, by power of Attorney from John Kirkley sr. & Susannah his wife, vs. Chas. Kirkley—et al. Petition for Relief &c.

It appearing to my satisfaction, that John Kirkley, Sr. Charles Kirkley, James Kirkley and John Kirkley, Jr., defendants in above case, reside without the limits of this State. On motion of Williams Solr. for the Plaintiff, it is ordered, that the said John Kirkley, Sr., Charles Kirkley, James Kirkley, and John Kirkley, Jr., do plead, answer, or demur to the Petition in the above case, on or before first day of June next. Otherwise, Judgment, Pro Confesso, will be ordered against each of them. JAS. H. WITHERSPOON, Comr. Eq. L. D. Feb. 12 3m 1

In Equity—Lancaster Dist.

Josiah M. Croxton, Susan Croxton, Mary Croxton, Henry Anderson & Mitty his wife, vs. E. B. Ward & Jane his wife, Chas. B. Allen & Nancy his wife, Joseph Woods & Rachel his wife. Bill to divide real Estate &c. Estate of James Croxton, deceased and Jane Croxton deceased.

It appearing to my satisfaction that E. B. Ward and Jane, his wife, Joseph Woods and Rachel, his wife, defendants in above case, reside without the limits of this State. It is ordered, on motion of Clinton & Hainn solr. for complainants, that the said defendants do answer, plead, or demur to the Bill in above case, on or before the 1st day of June, 1852, otherwise, Judgment, pro confesso will be ordered against each and all of them. JAMES H. WITHERSPOON, Comr. Eq. L. D. Feb. 12 3m 1

In Equity—Lancaster Dist.

John W. Gregory, Jr. vs. Martha Gregory, widow, Thos. J. Gregory, H. Jackson Gregory, Owen Gregory, Alfred Moore & Mary A. his wife, Joseph Terrell & Martha J. his wife. Bill for Partition of Lands and Negroes, Estate of Willis Gregory, sr. dec'd.

It appearing to my satisfaction that Joseph Terrell and wife, Martha J., defendants in above case, reside without the limits of this State, it is ordered on motion of Williams, solr. for complainants, that the said Joseph Terrell and wife, Martha J., do plead, answer, or demur to the bill in above case on or before the 1st day of June, 1852, otherwise, Judgment pro confesso will be ordered against them. JAMES H. WITHERSPOON, Comr. Eq. L. D. Feb 12 3m 1

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NOTICE.

ALL Persons indebted to Baskins & Copeland, for the services of the Stallion Rowton, by the insurance, season or otherwise, while kept by Wm. Connell, are hereby notified not to make payment to said Connell, as he has failed to keep the contract. He has made no return for the season, and legal payment can only be made to John T. Copeland or JAMES BASKINS. Lancaster Dist, Feb 12, 1852. 1-f

SADDLE & HARNESS Establishment.

THE SUBSCRIBER respectfully informs the citizens of this District and elsewhere, that he continues the above business at his old stand, one door south of A. C. Dunlavy's, at all its various branches; especially Coverings and Padding Saddles, which he will warrant. He will also make Carriage and Wagon Harness, Riding Bridles, &c., at the shortest notice, and as low as can be purchased any where. Please call and examine for yourselves. D. M. POER. Lancaster, Feb. 12. 6m-1

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THE COTTON CROP.

The following table, from the New Orleans Price Current, gives a most interesting statement of the cotton exports of the Union for the past thirty years. The crop of 1851, it will be seen, was worth more than \$40,000,000 over the most valuable crop ever raised before! Statement showing amount, value and average price per lb. of cotton exported from the United States from 1821 to 1851 inclusive:

Years.	Total lbs.	Value.	Avg price per lb.
1821	124,893,401	21,157,480	16.2c
1822	144,676,096	28,086,068	16.8c
1823	173,723,270	20,445,520	11.8c
1824	142,369,663	21,947,401	15.4c
1825	176,449,117	36,846,649	20.3c
1826	209,535,015	29,025,214	12.3c
1827			